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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2-44 and 46-48 are under consideration. In the May 10, 2010 Office Action, the prior rejections under 35 USC 112, 1st and 2nd paragraphs, were withdrawn. The rejection of claims 1, 2 and 4-48 under 35 USC 102(b) over Johnson et al., 2001 was maintained. No other rejections or objections are pending.

A telephonic interview was conducted to discuss the 102(b) rejection, resulting in an agreement by the Examiner to withdraw the rejection and allow the case.

Applicants sincerely thank Examiner Lundgren and Supervisory Patent Examiner Low for the courtesy of their time and thoughtful consideration of the single remaining issue in the case during the aforementioned telephonic interview. There being no other issues in the matter, applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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